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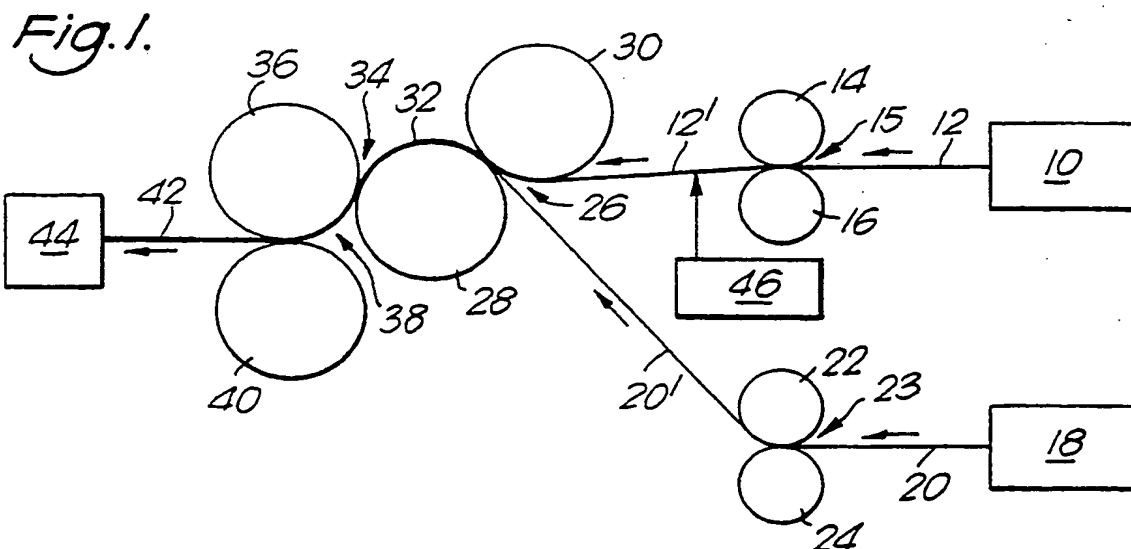
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54 Embossing and laminating apparatus for paper.

57 A converted product which is particularly high both in bulk and in perceived softness is produced by pre-embossing the plies of a web individually, joining the plies and calendering and again embossing. In another example, the pre-emboss step is carried out at a first station at which some calen-

dering is also effected, further embossing being effected at a subsequent station. In yet another example, embossing is first carried out on the web of plies and subsequently further embossing and calendering are concurrently effected.



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